

# ETX150

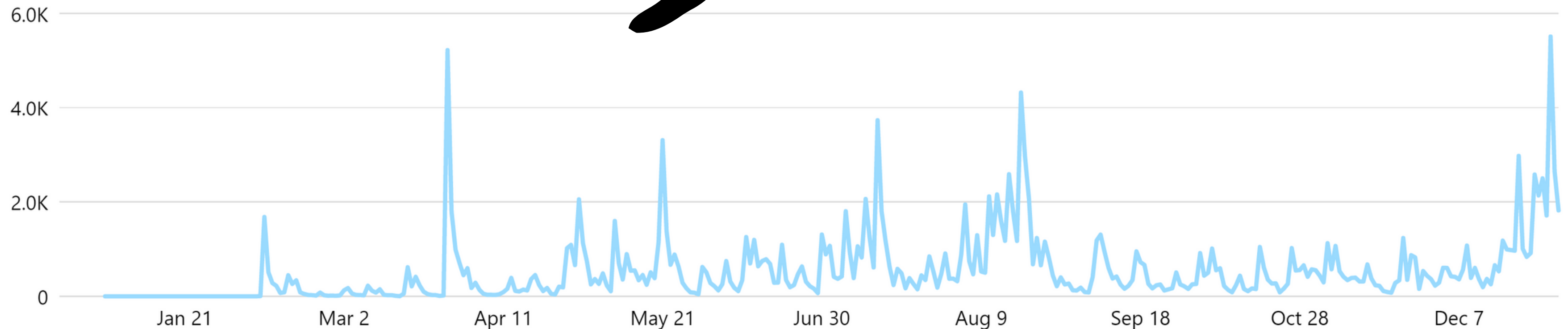
## Year in Review



# 47,808

Facebook Page reach ⓘ

47,808 ↑ 100%



## #ETX150 Facebook Page Reach



2



# Elgin Sesquicentennial

Black  
HISTORY  
MONTH



Celebratory Months  
of History &  
Heritage



4

# Public Art Pieces Installed





# 5

## Proclamations Issued







# 20

## Oral Histories Transcribed and Recorded





1



Sold out Full Steam Ahead Gala



# Timeless Stars Honored

# 30







# \$1,500

**scholarship awarded**



# Mini Downtown Facade Created

# 1





# Appearances from Mr. Robert Morris Elgin





58



**#ETX150 Committee  
Members & Volunteers**





2

# Branded CARTs Buses





# 750

## #ETX150 Cookies Consumed

5



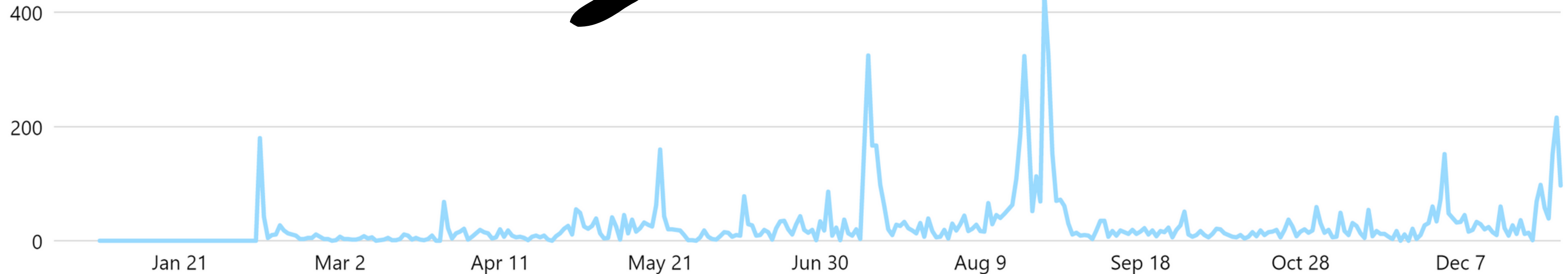
Sanctuary's  
put on display



9,629

Facebook Page visits ⓘ

9,629 ↑ 100%



#ETX150 Facebook  
Page Visits

# 366

Items buried in  
the ETX150  
Time Capsule







21

History in the Hall Exhibitors at Founder's Day



# 117

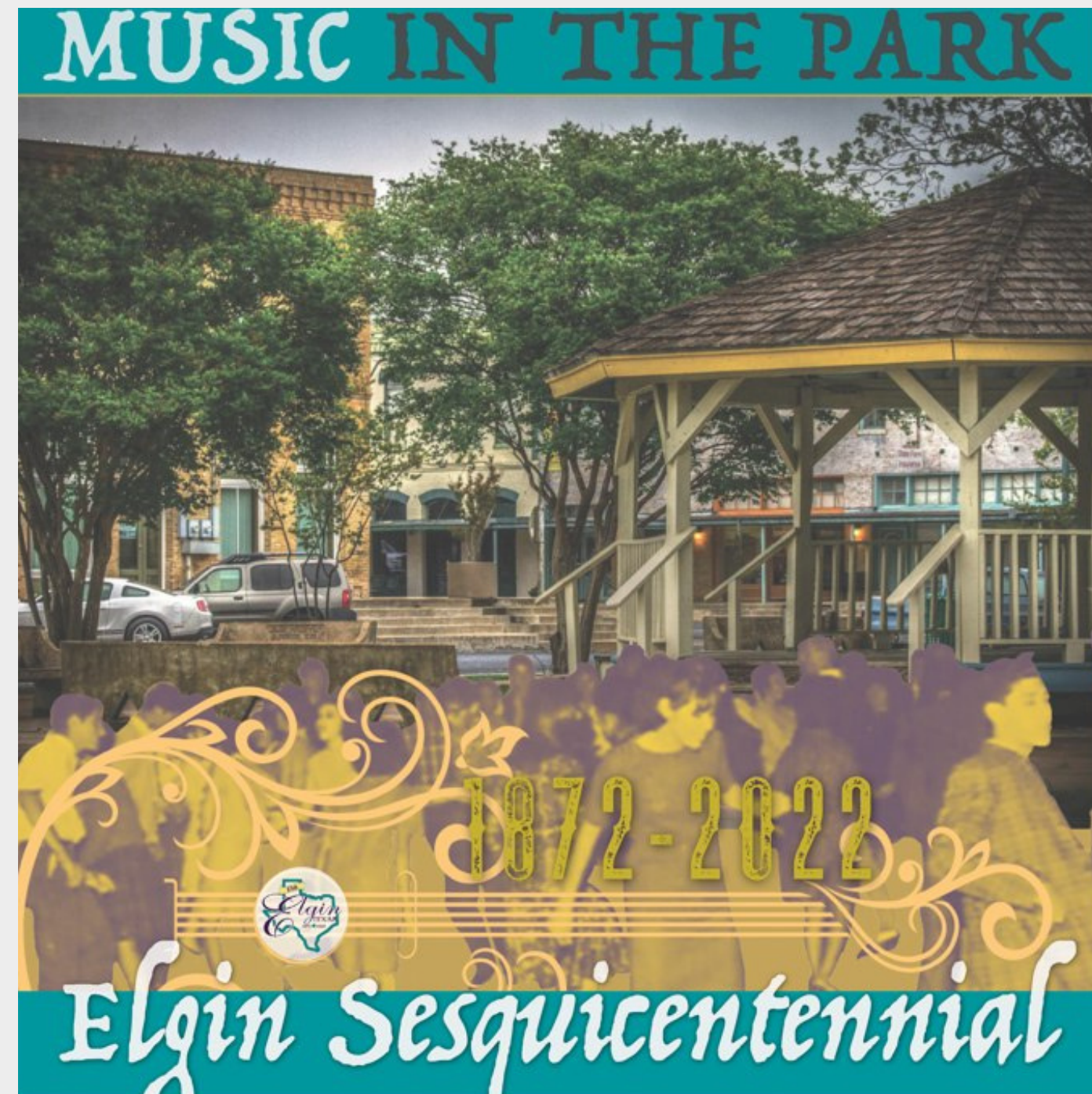
## Street Banners Installed





# 1 MONTH

Of Additional  
Music in the  
Park Concerts



**2022**  
EVERY FRIDAY NIGHT IN  
**APRIL & MAY**



4/1	SHOP DAWGS
4/8	GYPSY DRIFTERS
4/15	LARRY HARRIS BAND
4/22	CHUBBY KNUCKLE
4/29	ALLEN LEE BAND
5/6	RUMOURS
5/13	RIAN CASTILLO
5/20	DIRT ROAD
5/27	SOULPHONICS



# 15888

**Glow in the dark items  
donned at Glowing into  
2023**







## SHORT STORY HISTORIES PAVING PROGRESS



# 52

## Sesquicentennial Stories published in the Elgin Courier

# 150

**Bottles of Elgin  
Meadery's Pecan Pie  
Sesquicentennial Mead  
Consumed**





# 60

## Models in the Western Day's Through the Decades Fashion Show







# 433

**Selfies Taken at  
Founder's Day**





# 27

**Packages of ETX Jerky's  
Sesquicentennial  
Breakfast Blend  
Distributed in Media  
Baskets**





# Sesquicentennial Elgin Courier Edition Published





# 500

**LED Balloons Dropped  
to end the  
Sesquicentennial Year**





# Entries for the historic Elgin Art Exhibition

# 28



1

**ETX150 Online  
Store  
Launched  
benefiting  
Down Home  
Ranch &  
Veteran's  
Memorial Park**







11

Family histories told during  
three Cemetery tours



5

# #ETX150 Themed Ribbon Cuttings





120



**Days of the Mini Float on  
Display at the Recreation Center**

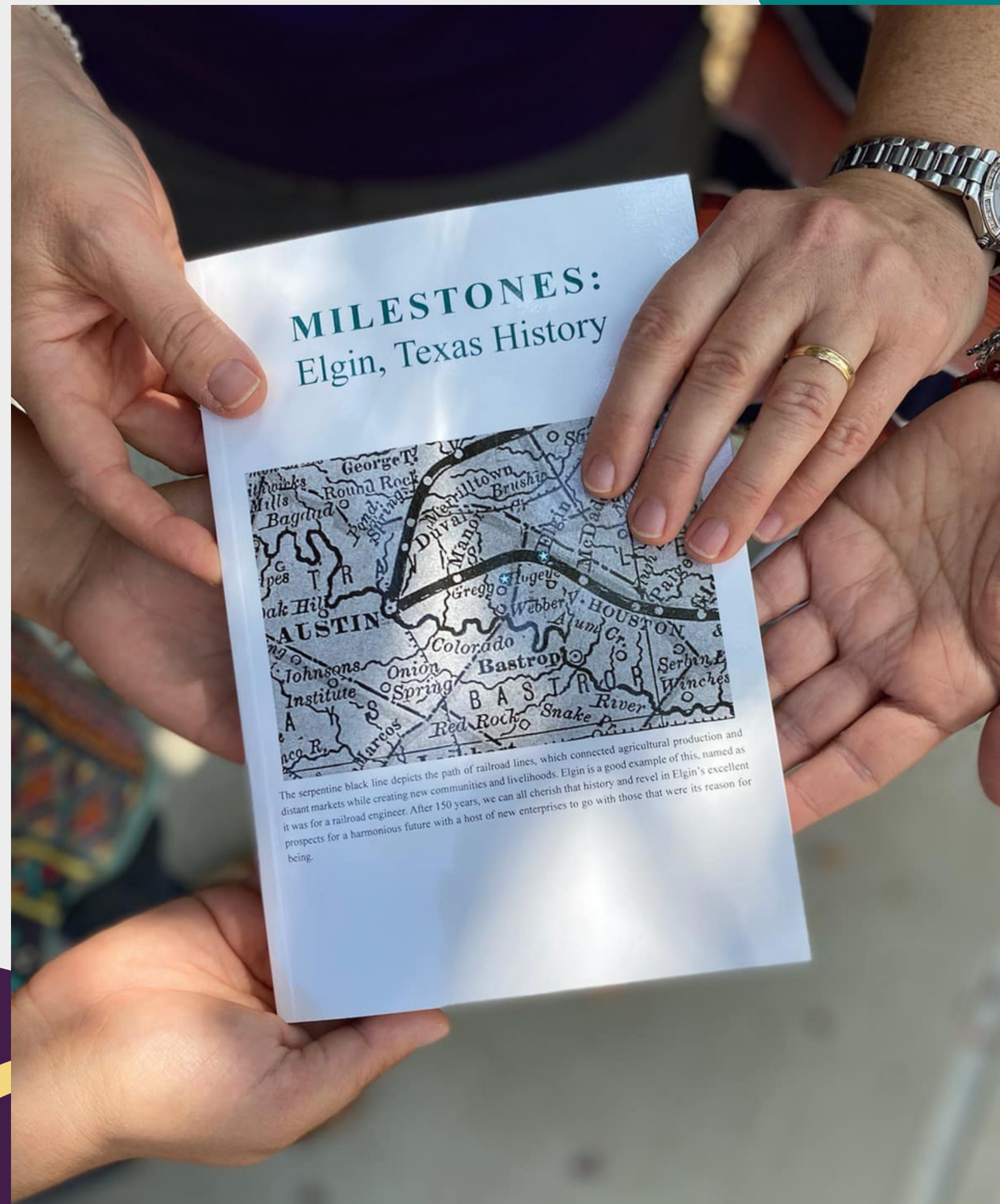




#ETX150  
Commemorative  
Cups

15,000





# 1

**"Milestones: Elgin,  
Texas History"  
Book published**



# 25



TICKETS AVAILABLE ONLINE  
AT [HTTPS://BIT.LY/3ZRFML7](https://bit.ly/3ZRFML7)



**ELGIN  
EMPTY BOWL  
PROJECT**

**SATURDAY  
NOVEMBER 12  
\$25 TICKET**

SPJST 702 HIGHWAY 95 SOUTH | ELGIN, TX 78621

A fundraiser for the Bastrop County  
Emergency Food Pantry and local Elgin  
Food Pantries.

[WWW.BASTROPFoodPANTRY.ORG/EVENTS/](https://www.bastropfoodpantry.org/events/)

AT THE EMPTY BOWL EVENT | 11.12.22

## VETERAN'S APPRECIATION LUNCH



### AFTER THE PARADE

Saturday, November 12, 2022  
11:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.  
SPJST | 702 Highway 95 South  
Elgin, TX 78621



**THANK A VETERAN  
PURCHASE A TICKET IN THEIR HONOR  
SO THEY CAN ENJOY A FREE LUNCH**

[www.BastropFoodPantry.org/buy-a-veteran-a-bowl-for-elgin-empty-bowl/](https://www.BastropFoodPantry.org/buy-a-veteran-a-bowl-for-elgin-empty-bowl/)

## Lunches sponsored for Veteran's benefiting the Elgin Empty Bowl



# 8000

people  
created an  
**#ETX150**  
formation







# 18

**Bluebonnet  
Electric fans  
installed at  
#ETX150 Events**





# 7 appearances by the #ETX150 Float







# \$650

**Awarded in Art Show  
Prizes**



# 46

**Elgin Elementary  
School letters to their  
future self-penned**







# 3

**New Murals  
installed at the  
Elgin Public  
Library**



# Community Event appearances

# 12





# 235

## Trees Planted



THEY PURCHASED AND  
PLANTED THREE LIVE OAK  
TREES...40 YEARS AGO.  
**TEXAS ARBOR  
DAY & T.R.E.E.  
INITIATIVE**





# 150+

artisans on display







6

brand new stand-alone events,  
two of which will continue to be  
hosted annually in Elgin.



# 30,415

ETX150 E-Newsletters  
distributed





9

existing  
events  
partnered  
with in an  
effort to  
enhance  
them for  
#ETX150







## HOGEYE on Elizabeth Standifer's Mexican Land Grant

In 1827, while Texas was still under the flag of Mexico, widow Elizabeth Standifer left Alabama to join Stephen F. Austin's "Little Colony." Traveling by ox cart with her children Jacob, William, and Sarah, they arrived in 1828. Her oldest son, James, and his wife joined them later that year. Also in 1827, 15-year-old John Thomas Litton left his Missouri home on horseback to join his widowed Uncle Leman Barker in Texas.

The Standifers, John Litton, and Leman joined forces and lived together on Barker's Mexican land grant on the Colorado River. The families worked in a cooperative manner to raise crops, clear land, and defend against hostile Indians. Elizabeth married Leman in 1830 in San Felipe before receiving her 4,429 acres. In 1834, Sarah and John married by "bond" and began their life together on his land. Because of the secular marriage laws in Texas, every time the flag changed Sarah insisted the couple exchange their vows again to ensure the legality of their marriage.

Both Sarah and John participated in the struggle for Texas Independence. Sarah was part of the Runaway Scrape where she lost their first born child. John, along with the Standifer brothers, served with other Texans at the defeat of the Mexican Army at San Jacinto on April 21, 1836.

Elizabeth sold half of her land to Michael Young to establish Young's Settlement, also known as Perryville. She died in 1838, leaving the other half of land to her children. By 1845, John and Sarah, along with her brothers, joined Young's Settlement. Here, the Littons built their final home, which served as a stop for the Concord Stagecoach and later as the Post Office when John was named Postmaster.

The Littons often hosted community dances and once, when an itinerant fiddler came their way, he played one lively tune over and over. When asked about it, he replied that it was "Hogeye" and it was the only tune he knew. This was the origin of the name "Hogeye" for the Litton home and stage stop, as well as the surrounding communities, and is used to this day.

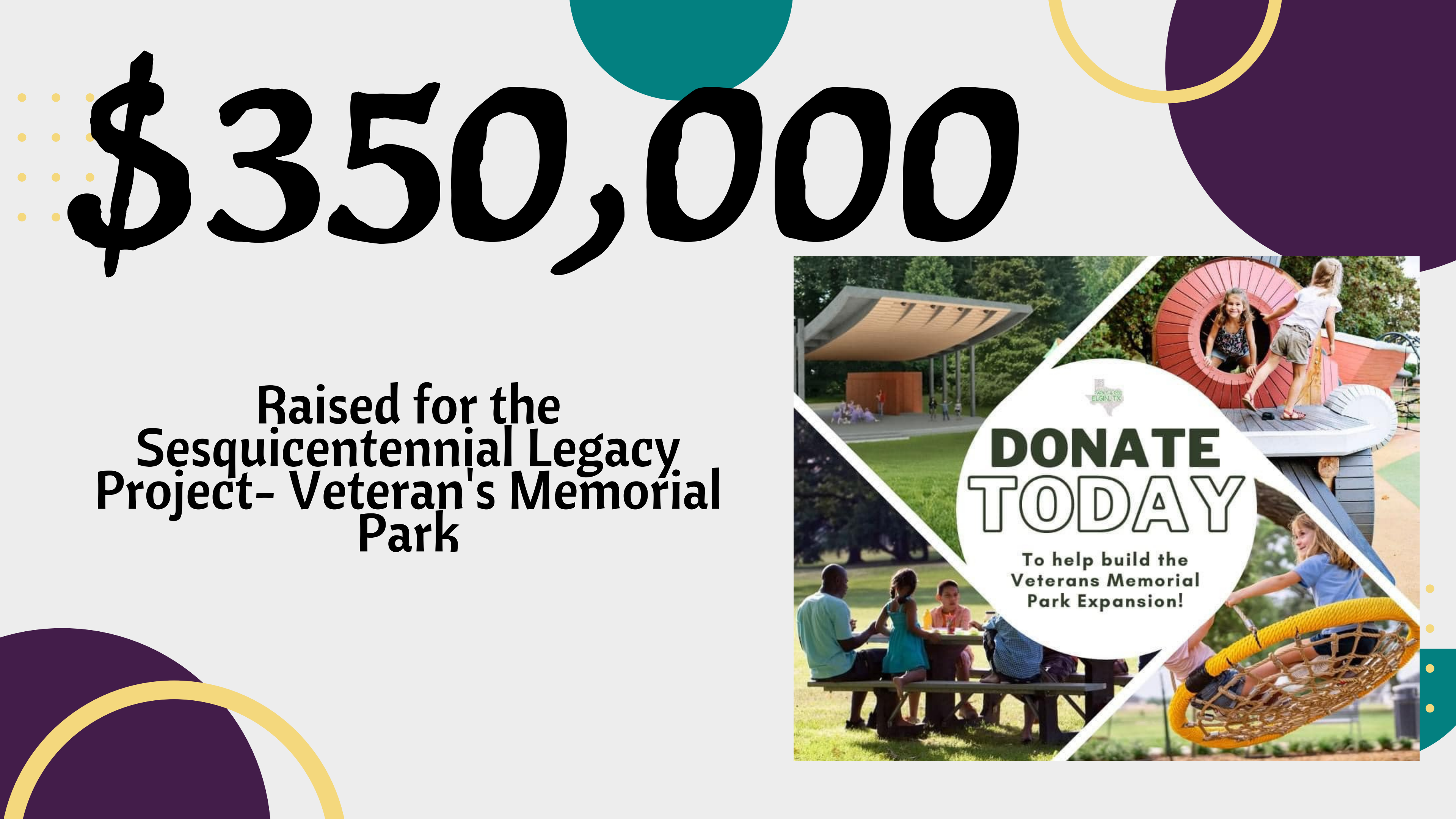
John died in 1848, leaving Sarah to manage their property, businesses, and raise their 11 children. Sarah is buried at the Elgin Cemetery, but John lies among other heroes at the Texas State Cemetery.

The Daughters of the Republic of Texas hereby recognize, honor and mark the area of Hogeye on Elizabeth Standifer's Land Grant as a vital part of our Texas History.

# 1

## new historical marker dedicated





# \$350,000

**Raised for the  
Sesquicentennial Legacy  
Project- Veteran's Memorial  
Park**





# 741

visitors inside the  
Library during  
Time to Shine





4

**brickyard boys  
honored with a new  
bench dedication**





# 150

candles on  
Juneteenth on  
Juneteenth





8

Cookie &  
Sheet Cakes  
Consumed





hand fans  
distributed



15000





# 450

lapel pins distributed  
at Elgin High School  
graduation and  
Founder's Day



# 100+

potential park  
donor names  
collected







2

Supportive  
City Councils



# Recognition



from the Texas  
House, Texas  
Senate, US House  
and US Senate



# 150

years of history  
honored and  
celebrated





# Countless



**Stories told  
and shared**



**Dozens** of partnerships  
created and  
friendships formed







# Infinite

amounts of creativity and  
culture cultivated



# Thousands

of new  
memories made







# A Legacy

for the next 150  
years





# One

town, one team, one family







# 150

years honored







and a forever  
grateful event  
contractor





THANK  
YOU



150



*Begin*  
TEXAS

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